DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY * COCONINO COUNTY TWISTER *

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2010 a series of tornados impacted the communities of Bellemont, Parks and Fort Valley as well as nearby rural areas within Coconino County; and

WHEREAS, the tornados caused minor injuries to citizens, spread debris creating public safety challenges and led to search and rescue teams being deployed to assist stranded hikers and residents; and

WHEREAS, the impact of these tornados resulted in significant damage to numerous structures, road blockages due to debris and utility systems being rendered inoperable. Airport infrastructure in the City of Page has also sustained damage; and

WHEREAS, the storms that brought the tornados also dropped rain across parts of Coconino County, which resulted in flash flooding on the Havasupai Reservation in Supai Village and over the Schultz burn area; and

WHEREAS, the Coconino County Board of Supervisors declared a State of Emergency for their county due to flooding and conditions of extreme peril to public health and safety of their citizens resulting from the tornados and accompanying rain; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is authorized to declare an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has authorized the expenditure of funds in an event of an emergency pursuant to A.R.S. § 35-192;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, do hereby determine that the tornado and rain events in Coconino County justifies a declaration of a State of Emergency, pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-303(D), and I do hereby:

- a. Declare that a State of Emergency exists in Coconino County due to tornados and flash flooding, effective October 6, 2010; and
- b. Direct that the sum of \$200,000 from the general fund be made available to the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to be expended in accordance with A.R.S. § 35-192, A.A.C. R8-2-301 to 321, and Executive Order 79-4; and
- c. Direct that the State of Arizona Emergency Response and Recovery Plan be used to direct and control state and other assets and authorize the Director of the Arizona Division of Emergency Management to coordinate state assets.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this eighth day of October in the Year Two Thousand Ten and of the independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-fifth.

ATTEST: